

## General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement

Introduced by: (HED)

## AN ACT CONCERNING LETTERS OF CREDIT FILED BY PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 10a-22c of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2009):
- 4 (d) No certificate to operate a new private occupational school shall
- 5 be issued by the commissioner pursuant to section 10a-22d until such
- 6 private occupational school seeking authorization files with the
- 7 commissioner an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank with its
- 8 main office or branch located within this state in the penal amount of
- 9 [twenty] forty thousand dollars guaranteeing the payments required of
- 10 the school to the private occupational school student protection
- account in accordance with the provisions of section 10a-22u. The letter
- of credit shall be payable to the private occupational school student
- 13 protection account in the event that such school fails to make
- payments to the account as provided in subsection (a) of section 10a-
- 22u or in the event the state takes action to reimburse the account for a

- tuition refund paid to a student pursuant to the provisions of section
- 17 10a-22v, provided the amount of the letter of credit to be paid into the
- 18 private occupational school student protection account shall not
- 19 exceed the amounts owed to the account. The letter of credit required
- 20 by this subsection shall be released [eight] twelve years after the date
- 21 of initial approval, provided evidence of fiscal soundness has been
- 22 verified.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	July 1, 2009	10a-22c(d)	

## Statement of Purpose:

To (1) allow the state to more easily process irrevocable letters of credit filed by private occupational schools, (2) provide a sufficient deterrent to avoid sudden closure of private occupational schools, and (3) allow additional time for a private occupational school to prove its administrative capability.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]